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Action

Executive Committee

Reconsideration of April 2007 Commission Meeting Date

AGENDA INSERT

Executive Summary: The Executive Committee will discuss whether to change the Commission meeting currently scheduled for April 11-12, 2007.

Recommended Action: No staff recommendation.

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Strategic Plan Goal: 2

Continue to refine the coordination between Commissioners and staff in carrying out the Commission's duties, roles and responsibilities.

- ◆ Continuously improve the development, distribution and dissemination of agenda and information to the Commission.

February 2007

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Introduction

This item presents options for consideration by the Executive Committee for changing the April 2007 Commission meeting date. Should the Executive Committee decide to recommend a change in the Commission's schedule, the full Commission would then act upon that recommendation during the report of the Executive Committee.

Background

At the May 2006 Commission meeting, the Commission adopted its meeting schedule for 2007. The schedule was altered at the November 30-December 1, 2006 meeting in order to respond to stakeholder request for more frequent meetings. Currently, the Commission adopted schedule for meeting in 2007 is as follows:

February 7-8, 2007
March 8, 2007
April 11-12, 2007
June 27-28, 2007
August 9, 2007
October 4, 2007
November 8, 2007
December 5-6, 2007

Proposed Change

In proposing a schedule for Commission consideration and adoption, Commission staff strives to propose a schedule that avoids, to the extent possible, major state and religious holidays and that minimizes conflicts with the Committee on Accreditation, the Committee of Credentials, and other major education related conferences and meetings, while balancing the need for Commission action throughout the year. Nevertheless, given the number of boards and commissions, educational associations, professional organizations, and major initiatives and activities of the Commission, it is nearly impossible to avoid all conflicts. When a conflict is clear, it is within the Commission's authority to consider a change to a currently adopted schedule, as long as that change complies with the timelines for public notice set forth in the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

The April 11-12, 2007 Commission meeting conflicts with the American Educational Research Association's annual meeting in Chicago which takes place from April 9-13, 2007. Below are some options for Commission consideration:

Option 1. Maintain the April 11-12, 2007 Commission meeting date.

Option 2. Adopt April 25-26, 2007 as an alternative meeting date.

Option 3. Adopt May 2-3, 2007 as an alternative meeting date.

Recommendation

The Commission staff has no recommendation on this item.